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**DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY  
FOR PATENT APPLICATION**

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

**Method for Electrically Connecting a Conductor to a Contact**

the specification of which:

(check one)  is attached hereto.

was filed on \_\_\_\_\_ as U.S. Application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_, and was amended on \_\_\_\_\_ (if applicable).

was described and claimed in PCT International Application Number PCT/EP2003/011739 filed on October 23, 2003 and

as amended under PCT Article 19 on \_\_\_\_\_ (if any) and/or

as amended under PCT Article 34 as published in the Annex(es) to the International Preliminary Examination Report (if any).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office all information known to me to be material to the patentability of this application as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate(s) listed below and have also identified below any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate(s) having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

Prior Foreign Application(s)

Priority Claimed

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(Number)

Germany  
(Country)

31 October 2002  
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Yes  No

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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §119(e) of the United States provisional patent application(s) listed below:

(Application Serial No.)

(Filing Date)

I hereby claim benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application.

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